

MEETING WITH THE STATE ENGINEER AND THE WATER USERS  
OF THE DUCHESNE AND STRAWBERRY RIVER WATER USERS, INC.

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Meeting was called to order by State Engineer, Hubert C. Lambert at 11:00 a.m. in the Duchesne County Court room.

Mr. Lambert commented on the expected flow of the rivers for the coming season. He felt that the users could expect the rivers to yield a normal flow.

Mr. Lambert recognized the president of the Duchesne and Strawberry rivers, Mr. Ray Thomas and turned the meeting to him to conduct.

The minutes of the last years meeting was called for and read by Leland Wright, Secretary.

The financial report was called for and given by Frank Reese, Controller for the State Engineer. His report showed the following:

Balance of Distribution Trust Funds, January 1, 1970	\$ 3,212.59
Receipts and Expenditures:	
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Regular Assessments	\$ 8,245.39
Delinquent Collections	45.47
Total Receipts	8,290.86
Expenditures	7,963.95
Balance of Distribution Trust Funds December 31, 1970	\$ 3,539.50

Delinquent accounts as of February 17, 1971  
amounted to \$1,206.92.

1970 Delinquent Water Assessments

Peter F. Abplanalp, c/o Osburn S. Carter	\$ 10.03	
Wilber Bates	14.52	
Clara Brown	71.96	(1965-1970)
John R. Davies	22.81	
Duchesne City	2.51	1970 delinquent cos
Farm Creek Irrigation	35.38	" " "
Delmore Ivie	11.80	(1967-1970)
Raleigh Ivie	21.95	(1969-1970)
John R. Davies	14.01	
Lloyd Lewis or R. J. Pender	28.36	(1968-1970)
Loren H. Mitchell	1.00	1970 delinquent cos
Elmer R. Moon	2.84	" " "
Tabby Irrigation Co.	577.99	(1969-1970)

## 1970 Delinquent Water Assessments

Uintah Basin Irrigation Company	\$ 168.62	1970 delinquent cost
Ute Indian Tribe c/o Thomas Appah	1.98	
William R. Williams	23.44	
Paul Young	112.42	(1964-1970)
Margaret Giles	1.00	1970 delinquent cost
Glen Ivie	7.31	(1969-1970)
Bert Young	1.00	1970 delinquent cost
John Young	58.19	
R. W. Young	10.24	
Hidden Valley Irrigation Inc.	7.56	(1965 only)

Total amount due \$1,206.92

Mr. Reese reminded the group that since the December 31st date disbursements have been made which leaves a balance as of this date \$2,716.99.

Frank Liddell intertained a motion which was seconded by Leon Ross to accept the financial report as given by controller, Frank Reese. Motion passed.

Water Commissioner Report was called for and given by Leo L. Brady. The water year as reported by Mr. Brady was a active year. The water users used a above average delivery of water. With all users diverting at will up to 15th of July. At this time delivery was on a priority schedule as determined by water rights.

On July 29, 1970 the first water from storage was delivered to the Farm Creek Irrigation Co. Five canals used project water during 1970.

Mr. Brady announced his resignation as Water Commissicner due to the recent appointment as Area Administrator for the Uintah Basin. He gave his thanks and expressed gratitude for the opportunity of working with them in the past.

Purposed 1971 Budget was presented which amounted to \$8,750.00.

Commissioners Salary	\$ 5,000.00
Matching Social Security Tax	240.00
Matching State Retirement	212.50
Commissioners Phone Expense	100.00
Bonds and Insurance Premium	30.00
Distribution Supplies & Equipment	300.00
Miscellaneous Expense	27.50
Annual Report (1970 & 1971)	240.00
Board of Directors Expense	500.00
Deputy Commissioner if needed	500.00
Commissioner Travel Expense	1,600.00
Total	\$ 8,750.00

Frank Liddell made a motion which was seconded by Robert Pepper to accept the purposed budget of \$8,750.00, to authorize the State Engineer to assess the water users \$8,750.00 and give the State Engineer authority to over expend any budgeted item not to exceed \$200.00, with a total limitation of \$8,950.00. Motion passed.

Purposed 1971 Water Commissioner Discussed. A motion was made by Earl Wright and seconded by Marion Ross to appoint new board members, and the board members make the decision of the purposed Water Commissioner. Motion passed.

Investment of Reserve Funds discussed by Stste Engineer Hubert Lambert. He reported that the State Auditor had recommended that all funds be invested with and under the direction of the State Treasurer. In order to do so action by the water users giving authorization was necessary. After discussion by the water users a vote was taken. They were not in favor of investing funds belonging to the Duchesne and Strawberry Water Users with the State Treasurer.

Measuring Devises discussed by State Engineer, Hubert C. Lambert. He stated that there had not been much improvement on the installation of measuring devises along the diversions of the river. Mr. Lambert stated that these must be installed within the next year. After this diversions will be posted and the delivery of water ~~denied any~~ lacking.

Delinquent Accounts of \$1,206.92 discussed by Engineer Lambert. The policy of the State Engineer in the future will be to post diversions on delinquent users and water be denied with legal action.

Administration of Water for 1971. State Engineer Lambert stated that he recommended a four acre foot duty of water. That the river should be administrated for the coming year on this order of four acre feet as for as his office is concerned, and will apply to all users on the rivers.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30

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Leland Wright  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Duchesne-Strawberry Water Users, Inc.